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STAR PLAYERS

Women's soccer defender Emily Wolf and goalkeeper Maddie Lyon were nominated for OVC Players of the Week.

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The Student Senate planned future events and discussed semester goals at its meeting Wednesday.

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Family Weekend activities planned

By Luis Martinez
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The University Board has spent the past few days finding a replacement for the Family Weekend Concert, and announced a "Family Funfest" would be taking the place of what was supposed to be a performance from Three Dog Night.

The event is scheduled to take place from 7 to 10 p.m. on Oct. 10 in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union and it will all be free.

The event will wide variety of entertainment showcases including a balloon artist, a caricature artist, bowling, billiards and giveaways.

There will also be discounts in the EIU Bookstore, Food Court, Java B&B and the Panther Pantry.

Ceci Brinker, the director of student life, said the event will also have three major venues to attract students and their families.

"We looked at a lot of options in the last two or three days," Brinker said. "We looked at live entertainment, local entertainment and we just didn't find anything that we felt really fit the bill for something that was quality, something that was cost effective and something that was appealing to students' parents, younger siblings or family members."

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Homecoming voting links experience difficulties

By Sydney Edwards
Copy Editor | @DEN_News

The 2015 Homecoming voting process began Monday but closed Wednesday evening; however, for some students the process was delayed because of technical difficulties. Those who experienced these difficulties voted then had a message that said the voting had been shut down.

When the Homecoming committee noticed the issue, the members were able to get into the system and see those who had technical issues. After they figured out who had issues, the committee members sent new voting links out to those individuals.

Now that the voting is over, the winners will be announced at 7 p.m. on Oct. 19 at McAfee Gym. The evening has a theme of 1920, and the Homecoming committee encourages all who are attending to dress in 1920s attire.

Nathan Wehr, the interim assistant director of student life, said the winners will receive something much more special.

"The winners will be able to look back and state they were crowned either the King, Queen, Prince, or Princess during Eastern Illinois University's 100th Homecoming," Wehr said.

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Amber May, the assistant director of alumni services, hands out discount cards for the Eastern merchandise featuring the new Panthers logo Wednesday in Buzzard Hall.

Eastern unveils new Panthers logo

By Stephanie Markham
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A bold white and blue eyeball peering beyond its veil was revealed Wednesday to be the new logo for the Panthers.

Eastern's new logo incorporates a profile view of a panther with a white face and dark blue and gray shadows accented with a light blue shield backdrop.

Created for Eastern by the Collegiate Licensing Company, the new designs also include a thick, capitalized font for the name of the university as well as an official panther paw print.

A committee including administrators, the athletics department, the EIU Bookstore and a student representative has been working with the company since March to come up with the new logo.

Athletics Director Tom Michael said football will be the first team to display the new logo during Saturday's game, and men's basketball uniforms will be the next update in the works.

"We've got a primary logo now, and that will be consistent on everything that we do," Michael said. "There won't be different things on uniforms or on our facilities; it will be a primary logo there whether it's football or basketball, whether it's cross country, baseball, whatever it will be."

Bob Martin, the vice president for university advancement, said he initially suggested the idea of a logo change to reenergize Eastern as it ushered in its new athletics director.

"The old logo is good, but I want great," Martin said.

Martin said the reason behind revealing the logo Wednesday was to boost merchandise sales from the upcoming Family Weekend and Homecoming crowds.

Eastern did not have to pay the design company upfront; rather the university will pay the company a percentage of the royalties it receives from sales, Martin said.

Steve Rich, the assistant vice president for university advancement, said Eastern's royalty rate is 10 percent.



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WHAT DO YOU THINK ABOUT THE NEW LOGO?

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- Out of 125 votes:
- 71 percent disapprove
 - 13 percent approve
 - 16 percent are on the fence

As of press time

Martin also said the old logos will remain in athletic fields and facilities until they need to be repaired or until sufficient donations come in for remodeling.

"We're not going to rip the panther head out of the middle of the field," Martin said. "It will stay there until a donor steps up or until we have to do the natural repairs that would cause it to be replaced anyway."

Another cost-saving measure is placing stickers over the old logos on the football helmets, Martin said.

Catie Witt, the student representative on the redesign committee, said the committee looked at logos from universities across the country and considered various options before narrowing the decision down to three.

"I honestly think this new logo is more modern and can really generate more students to the

university," she said. "I think the shield is very unique and stands out against other universities."

Witt said this is the first time Eastern has a legitimate panther paw logo, which will be featured primarily on women's and children's clothing.

Martin said he likes the intensity of the panther's eye and the light blue color contrast on the new logo, and he thought the old logo was redundant because the word "Panthers" was right beneath a picture of one.

"We looked at so many logos — yellow-eyed panthers, face front, full bodies, gnarly teeth — and we came up with what I feel is by far the best panther," he said.

Hannah Freeman, a graphic design professor, compared the new and old logos in her senior graphic design class.

Freeman said her initial reaction was that the connection between the eye, nose and mouth seemed off and came across as human-like.

She said the old logo better conveyed the image of a black panther, while the new logo is more modern because of the bolder strokes.

Joezeph Ewida, a senior graphic design major, said the redesigned panther looks like a "shaved lion," and he would have less of a problem with it if it were black.

Brianna Harbole, a senior graphic design major, also said she questioned why the panther was white.

"Some of their choices don't make sense," Harbole said.


Many in the university community are in disagreement about the new logo, as evident by the more than 100 comments on Eastern's Facebook post about the change along with extensive debate on Twitter.

Rich Moser, Eastern's sports information director, said the previous logo has been used since 2000, and the logo revealed Wednesday is the seventh one in the history of the Panthers.

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Low: 59°

FRIDAY



Thunderstorm
High: 65°
Low: 43°

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City library trains young, aspiring Jedis

By Molly Dotson
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People of all ages dressed as Yoda, Storm Troopers, Wookies, Darth Vader and other various "Star Wars" characters gathered in a crowded room at Charleston Carnegie Public Library on Wednesday.

The fourth annual Star Wars Day was held in rotary rooms A and B of the library.

Children were running and jumping through an obstacle course, hitting a balloons with toy light sabers, throwing toy snowballs at a picture of the Viper Probe Droid, and participating in numerous activities offered at this event.

The Jedi Training obstacle course was a red rectangular plastic tablecloth taped to the ground with glow necklace rings spaced out on it.

The objective of this activity was to jump from ring to ring without falling into the "lava," the area outside of these rings.

Another available activity people could do was building Luke Skywalker's prosthetic hand.

Materials to make the hand included black construction paper in the shape of a hand, bendy straws, tape and yarn.

Participants of this activity threaded yarn through an end of bendy straws, taped the top part of the yarn to the back of the black hand-shaped construction paper and taped each yarned ridden straw to three middle fingers of the paper hand.

All of the straws had holes pre cut



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Owen Keefe, a 5-year-old Charleston resident, gets ready to hit a red balloon with his pool noodle light saber at the Star Wars Day event held at the Charleston Carnegie Public Library Wednesday.

into them so the fingers on the hand could move and grasp things more easily.

To make the fingers on the hand bend participants would grab the ends of the yarn and pull down.

Another activity involved throwing toy snowballs at a picture of the Viper Probe Droid.

Participants had to "blast this Droid from Hoth before it transmitted the location of the Rebel Base," according to the information flyer at the station.

Brooks Shirley, an 11-year-old Star Wars enthusiast, was one of the many who attended this event.

"I have liked Star Wars for three or four years, so I was excited when my

dad told me he was taking me," Shirley said.

Shirley has seen all of the "Star Wars" movies and read several of the books.

Shirley said "Return of the Jedi" is his favorite because it depicts the final battle between Luke Skywalker and Darth Vader.

Beth Lugar, youth services manager, was head of coordinating this event.

Lugar said the staff and volunteers have been collecting Star Wars items throughout the year to have for the event and for raffle prizes.

Lugar said if a someone is reluctant to read, sometimes having them read Star Wars could get them hooked.

The publishers of the books suggested doing these events because it helps get people excited about reading.

Lugar also said she was excited about planning the events because she is a fan of Star Wars.

"If I get to plan an event, it might as well be something I'm excited about," Lugar said.

By the end of the event, 136 people had attended.

Lugar said in the event's four years of existence; this was the most people they have ever had.

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CAA to vote on revising management course

By Cassie Buchman
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The Council on Academic Affairs will vote on revising MIS 4850: Systems Security to add an online component to the course at their meeting 2 p.m. Tuesday in Room 4440 of Booth Library.

MIS is the Management Information Systems major.

Marita Gronnvoll, chair of the CAA, said the course would be updated to allow sections to be taught in hybrid or online venues.

"It doesn't look like they're making any changes in content," Gronnvoll said. "They are offering it both face and face and online, giving them an opportunity to do either."

Kurt Olausen, the director of study abroad, will also come to talk to the council about study abroad courses and the approval process for the courses.

In 2012 the CAA requested the study abroad office to send them the

report of new classes that had been approved for the study abroad program.

Gronnvoll said study abroad did that instead of making them run the curriculum through the CAA like everyone else does.

"It really slows the process down," Gronnvoll said. "It's already a really laborious process and study abroad is already really paperwork heavy."

The CAA wanted to make sure the study abroad courses were meeting the undergraduate learning goals and there were enough credit hours.

After everyone in the study abroad office was turned over, the CAA did not get the report.

"It's nobody's fault, it's just that there's been a turnover of staff and faculty, so no one was aware of (the report)," Gronnvoll said. "Dr. Olausen didn't even know about it."

Gronnvoll said she has never led a study abroad program, but she knows that it is really a job to put one together.

"There's turnover and certain information just slips through the cracks," Gronnvoll said. "I think that's all it was."

Olausen will want to know what kind of information the CAA wants in the report and what they would like to see and explain how the process goes as well as getting information from the CAA, Gronnvoll said.

Gronnvoll emailed Olausen and told him about the report and asked him to come to the meeting.

"He's going to find out what we want as far as what CAA would like to see in this report and then how we can go about implementing this," Gronnvoll said. "So it's just going to be a conversation just to let him know some of the history."

Gronnvoll said this will be helpful for her as well as she was not involved in the original request for a report.

She said she did not know why there was such a large turnover rate in study abroad.

"It's weird, it just happens some-

times that you can be in a place where there's no turnover at all then all of a sudden everyone turns over," Gronnvoll said. "I think it's one of those things that happens all of a sudden in one place, like lightning strikes."

In some cases, the courses for the study abroad program are different than regular classes.

"In our department, we tend to have the same course that's for study abroad, but then there's different types of study abroad," Gronnvoll said.

One of these is called an "excursion," where more time is spent in the study abroad than in the classroom.

Another one is where Eastern will partner with universities where they have class time in the other office as well time in the field.

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Autism Center implements new program

By T’Nerra Butler
Multicultural Editor| @DEN_News

The Autism Center dedicates itself to making autism evaluations convenient to those diagnosed since Fall 2014.

The department of communication disorders and sciences worked to raise funds for the center for several years.

Gail Richard, the director of the Autism Center, said the department has a speech language and hearing clinic. The clinic has been around for 50 years and many of the clients have been in the autism spectrum.

Before the Autism Center many families from down state Illinois were required to travel to Indianapolis, Chicago or St. Louis and often times had to wait up to a year to get treatment because of being waitlisted.

“One of the reasons the center was started was to serve down state people in a more timely way,” Richard said.

Richard said three of the main goals of the center are to offer services for evaluations, consultations and education. In the evaluations the family needs to figure out if the loved one has autism, then the next step is figuring out what to do.

“What we do is diagnose so they have the label and can get services,” Richard said. “We also generate extensive recommendations for families to take back home and implement.”

Some of the components in autism often confuse families and the center sorts out those characteristics including how the person eats. Richard said some children with autism are picky

“When they get here they have to maneuver on their own, and it’s hard because you need someone to walk you through the challenges on a college campus.”

- Mary Beth Xenakis, STEP graduate assistant

eaters and cannot tolerate certain tastes and textures. The center conducts feeding evaluations to aid the family so the child is still getting the right amount of nutrition.

“Another characteristic the center works with is children who are non-verbal,” Richard said. “They can’t talk, they don’t know how to coordinate that musculature and that leads to a lot of behavioral problems.”

While this is the second year of the Autism Center, the Students with Autism Transitional Education Program started up this fall for students at Eastern with autism.

STEP is a program aiming to give support to new college students to make sure they get to a good start. Richard said the goal is to get the students on track academically, help them navigate the school and then



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Mary Beth Xenakis, graduate assistant in the communication disorders and sciences department, and Meghan Levey, a graduate assistant in Autism Center, discuss tactics to help their clients on Wednesday in the Autism Center in the Human Services Building.

gradually give them independency by letting them do things on their own.

“What we don’t want them to do is say they can’t manage the dining hall because it’s too noisy or they don’t know how to just manage the social situations or how to navigate a college campus,” Richard said.

The program is unique in the sense that it is the only program structured the way it is in the Midwest. The closest program is in northern Kentucky.

Five students are in STEP this semester. Richard said because Eastern

“The individuals with Aspergers or high functioning autism are generally brilliant students, we have a couple right now that have a ACT of 31 that we are looking at for next fall,” Richard said. “They are just not good at navigating the social world.”

Meghan Levy, a graduate assistant for the Autism Center, said she works with individuals with autism from ages three to students in college.

“How you would test them is completely different,” Levy said. “With the college student I could sit at a desk and ask them questions but with a child its got to be more interactive and it’s got to move quicker.”

Mary Beth Xenakis, a graduate assistant for the STEP program, said she works with the students on transitioning from a structured home life to independency.

“In high school they have these routine supports in place and living at home with their family members,” Xenakis said. “When they get here they have to maneuver on their own, and it’s hard because you need someone to walk you through the challenges on a college campus.”

Levy said the support both at STEP and the center helps to make their dependent nature fade away.

“It’s intimidating to us to because it’s getting to know them and every individual with autism is different,” Xenakis said. “You can’t assume that you have an idea of autism when you meet these students.”

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Student Senate discusses future goals, events

By Cassie Buchman
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The Student Senate made plans for events while talking about policies and goals at its meeting Wednesday.

Student Body President Shirmeen Ahmad encouraged senators to come up with two goals they had already achieved and told them to keep going with their plans for the next eight weeks.

Stephen Simpson, the student vice

president for academic affairs, passed around a signup sheet for the next “Prowling with the Prez” event to be called “Pastries with the Prez.”

The event will be at Java Beanery and Bakery, and Java has taken care of the food and the drinks for the event, with the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union taking care of marketing.

Senators will be able to get office hours based on the number of people they bring to Prowling with the Prez.

Senator and academic affairs committee chair Jose Durbin said his committee was working on a project where they were going to be passing out airheads and blowpops during midterm week.

When the senators pass out the candies, they will be talking to students about what they want to see from student government.

“We want to bring positive notes to midterms, we want to give them encouragement to do well,” Durbin

said.

Speaker of the Senate Maralea Negron said she was proud of the work she has seen senators do during their office hours.

“I saw quite a few of you today, it really makes me very excited when I hear you guys collaborating, getting your ideas out, getting information from one another,” Negron said. “That’s really what student government is all about.”

Negron said although each senator

was in a different committee, student government works as team.

Negron talked about changing the bylaws on attendance policies.

“We’re trying to hold you guys a little bit more accountable when it comes to your committee meetings,” she said.

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Mace Mackiewicz

Internet conspiracies should stop

Mass shootings seem to happen every year more and more prevalently.

They personally terrify me and even though I come from a conservative family who is all for them, I believe we need stricter gun laws to help prevent future shootings.

However this column is not about that, this is about people who take to social media to turn these shootings into conspiracy theories.

It seemed to have started back with the Boston Bombings or Sandy Hook, but ever since then it is almost impossible to log in to Facebook and not see someone try to tie these tragedies to the government.

I am not saying the government is perfect, does not do anything shady etc, and they could definitely enforce stricter laws to prevent this type of thing.

But to be so worried about your guns that you start coming up with conspiracies that these are “false flag” operations by the government is just ridiculous.

People are suffering, their family members are dead or injured because of this tragedy but it does not end there.

People accuse some of the victims of lying and say these things never happened.

This is disgusting. Keyboard detectives who were not there somehow think they’re in the right for “calling out” these people.

After every tragedy I always see a picture on Facebook of brunette girls who look slightly similar crying at the tragedy. And there is always text that says something like “wake up” or “how was she at all of these?” the truth is she was not, these are clearly different people.

The notion that every tragedy is an “inside job” baffles me.

People are so paranoid about their guns that they cannot believe that some gun owners would do something so vile that they have to pin it on the government.

Maybe it is hard to swallow but there are clearly gun owners who cannot be trusted, and blaming the government for it isn’t going to fix the shooting problem the US has right now.

I have had to remove so many people on social media within the last few years because of these types of things.

People I thought were smarter than to buy into this.

None of these people previously went on rants claiming 9/11 was an inside job or something like that.

It just seems that the conspiracy theories have come back with a vengeance these past few years.

And I know it is hard to believe that people would kill other people. And gun owners want to think other gun owners are safe. But clearly we have a problem in this country and it is not the government who is causing it.

When tragedies like this happen we should remember the victims in these situations.

Have some compassion for the dead.

Labeling the families as liars is ridiculous.

People have suffered great loss and need help. They do not need the Internet conspiracy team giving them more trouble.

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Billy is Next



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Staff Editorial

Extending bar hours was a good call

Let us all buy a round for the Charleston City Council as the members approved the previous trial ordinance for local bars to stay open until 2 a.m.

It is a no-brainer in a college town such as Charleston with a rich history to allow the bars to continue serving alcohol until the wee morning hours.

Not only is the move a win for the students on campus, but it is also a smart business move.

Many students do not even hit the bars as soon as night falls; they pre-game either at a house party or in the residence halls before leaving, and by the time they get there, it is midnight and would only have an hour left for more alcoholic beverages.

While it is understandable that university students are not the sole shot-takers at the bars, they do drive a significant amount of revenue for the businesses.

The extra hour of operation can mean all the difference because each night like clockwork around midnight intoxicated students slink their way into the nearest establishment to get topped off, which can bring in hundreds of dollars or more.

What was also a good aspect about the ruling is both the Charleston Fire and Police departments did not see a problem with the hour increase.

With the bars staying open later the city hoped it would reduce late night parties.

With the bars closing at 2 a.m. the hope for students to stumble back home instead of the nearest party was also a driving factor in the hour increase—after all, Eastern is not the University of Illinois, nor is it the No. 1 party school in the state.

For some students going to a party school is high on their list, but one of the reasons many

came to Eastern could easily be inferred was the seriousness of academics.

However, bar hours or “last call” is individual and are heavily dependent on the city and state.

Some stay open 24 hours a day, and others close around Midnight.

Illinois last call state hour is generally around 1 a.m., but some areas like around Chicago can go until 3 a.m., according to city data’s website

In any event, the bars in Charleston now stay open later students and “townies” are able to get their drink on for an extra hour driving more in-town revenue, which is always a good thing.

The daily editorial is the majority opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.

Prepare for midterms now instead of later



Chris Picazo

It is currently the most wonderful time of the fall semester.

There is pumpkin spiced everything in every grocery store in the U.S., McDonald’s has all day breakfast, bar hours have just been permanently set at 2 a.m. and the Chicago Cubs even made the playoffs for the first time in seven years.

What can possibly make this fall better?

I will tell you what can make this fall better than any other, and that one thing is midterms.

It is that time of the semester where projects and exams are happening in lives of every student on campus.

It is also that time of the semester where students look at how they have done over the past seven weeks.

No matter what grade you have in a class, just remember one thing before going into your tests, projects, presentations and anything else.

Remember to study or actually put effort into the work you are doing.

School should always be a student’s first priority, but sometimes it seems like it is not.

I always hear about people going out and forgetting to study before exams, and that is just ridiculous.

How can someone forget to study for an exam when it is on the syllabus and repeated every class prior to the exam?

Getting an education is the reason why we are here, and a student should never settle for just passing an exam.

Try your best and try to go for more than

just passing.

It is always tempting to go out, but forget about going out for a night or two.

School is a hundred times more important.

If you are scared about missing out on something for not going out with your friends, do not worry.

The bars will be there next week.

This next week will be stressful for many students, but relax and just take it one day at a time.

Most students will be in the same boat and working hard on midterms.

If you are struggling with a class, remember to go to office hours and talk with your professors.

That is why they hold office hours.

Professors are literally waiting in their offices for students to go in and ask questions.

Take advantage of that opportunity.

Start study groups with classmates if you have a big test coming up.

Some people learn better with the help of others as opposed to just re-reading chapters and looking at notes.

So start buckling down and studying because this is also the part of the semester that can make or break it for students.

Do not procrastinate any work and whatever you do, do not cram for an exam.

Cramming for an exam can lead to failure.

You are attempting to retain so much information in a short period of time, and the chance of remembering everything is slim.

Study a section or chapter each day, and go over everything the day before the exam to retain the most possible information.

Do not deprive yourself of sleep.

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Brinker said the University Board spent a lot of time trying to narrow down their list of possible options for the concert replacement.

“We’re pretty much keeping it housed and focused on activities and events in this building and hopefully students will come out with their parents and their families on Saturday night and have a wide array of things that they can participate in free of charge,” she said.

The three major happenings planned for the event include an interactive game show called “Thinkfast,” comedy ventriloquist Marc Rubben and comedy hypnotist Erick Kand.

According to the event’s press release, Rubben is schedule to perform at 7 p.m. in 7th Street Underground and will kick off the whole event.

Rubben uses a variety of characters during his performances, including an old man, fortune teller, and even a mask able to turn a audience member into a character.

“Thinkfast” will start at 8 p.m. and will be in the University Ballroom. The show will incorporate trivia topics such as sports, music, TV, Movies, celebrities and even some academic topics. Participates will have a chance to win \$500 in cash and prizes.

The final entertainment showcase,



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Kelsey Trigg, a Charleston resident, gets her face painted at the “Face Painting/Sand Art Bottle” event as part of Family Weekend on Sept. 20, 2014 at the Bridge Lounge in the Martin Luther King Jr. University Union.

Erick Kand, will start at 9 p.m. and will be the Grand Ballroom in the Union.

Kand uses a blend of student involvement, improv and hypnotism in his shows.

Brinker said the dates for Family Weekend are given out three years in advance but the planning for the weekend itself begins about three to six months before the weekend.

Other events going on during the

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Mackenzie Freund contributed.

UB hosts open mic

By Luis Martinez
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The University Board is hosting the first open mic session of the semester from 7 to 9 p.m. in 7th Street Underground as part of UB Mainstage.

Patrick Davis, the UB mainstage coordinator, said students will not only sit back and enjoy the show, but even have an opportunity to participate in it as well.

Davis said word about the event has spread widely among the students.

“Promotion has been amazing, great social media feedback so far and the buzz around, it has been really good,” Davis said. “Students will have the opportunity to perform and/or sit back and enjoy the show.”

Davis said there would be refreshments and giveaways during the two-hour event.

“There will be several giveaways throughout the evening, and hot chocolate will be served for those who like a little ‘extra flavor’ with their poetry,” Davis said.

Davis said students would have an opportunity to sign up to perform some of their written work at the event.

“There will be a sign-up sheet at the event for students to sign up,” Davis said. “There are and will be no limitations on what an individual would like to perform, self expression is the best.”

While any number students can and are encouraged to sign up for the poetry event, there will be a limit to how many pieces a student can perform.

“As of now, students can do one piece,” Davis said. “Depending on the number of sign-ups, there may be opportunity for an additional piece.”

Davis said he believes he will have a good students turnout for the open mic event compare to the previous mainstage event back in September.

“I predict it being no less than that,” Davis said. “(The event could have) double, possibly triple, the turn out from the previous University Board Mainstage event.”

Davis said he hopes his event will compare better than some events UB has already had this semester.

“That’s my objective for every event, make it better than the last,” Davis said.

Davis said the next event would have a theme.

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ASA plans food, activities for Africa Week

By T’Nerra Butler
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The African Student Association is beginning “Africa Week” Monday starting off with “Game Night.”

While initially planning the week, members wanted to have fundraisers, but now the events are intended for students to bond with ASA and learn what the group stands for as a registered student organization.

“Game Night” will include board games and other activities for students. This event is at 8 p.m. Monday in the Andrews Hall basement.

Julianne Adegoriolu, ASA’s president, said this week gives students a chance to come out and get a break from class.

“We want students to meet us on a more relaxed level and show what this organization can bring,” Adegoriolu said.

ASA is giving out Jell-O, rice and chicken mixed with bell pepper, onion, tomato and tomato sauce at 6 p.m. Tuesday in the Thomas Hall basement; the food costs \$5.

ASA is hosting a Hookah Night at at 7 p.m. Thursday in Indigo’s Hookah Lounge. It is \$5 for the night of hookah.

This Africa week is not a national

or annual event, but Adegoriolu said ASA members from other campuses also present this week of events multiple times during the year.

“They do have a dedicated week, but we decided to have ours in the fall semester and another one in the spring,” Adegoriolu said. “We did our opening event with the talent show, so we this week is more so people actually getting to know our RSO on a personal level through bonding.”

Adegoriolu said ASA is trying to appeal to the campus with these events and let them know they are here and back for a prosperous year.

Jalen Washington, the ASA events specialist, said next week gives members a chance to spread their brand and get their name out to the students. He said the events show an engaging side of ASA, and members are working on being inclusive and letting everyone know ASA is open to a variety of members.

“This week is really out of enjoyment rather than focused on raising money; it’s just something fun to do,” Washington said.

Washington said said the week was also implemented for students to show their African spirit.

The ASA executive board consists of 11 members and four of those students are African.

Washington said events like these bring people together, and just because some of the students are not African it does not exclude them from experiencing the organization or the events.

“It’s even a learning experience for me because I don’t know much about Africa,” Washington said. “As we have our general body meetings, each time I learn just a bit more about it.”

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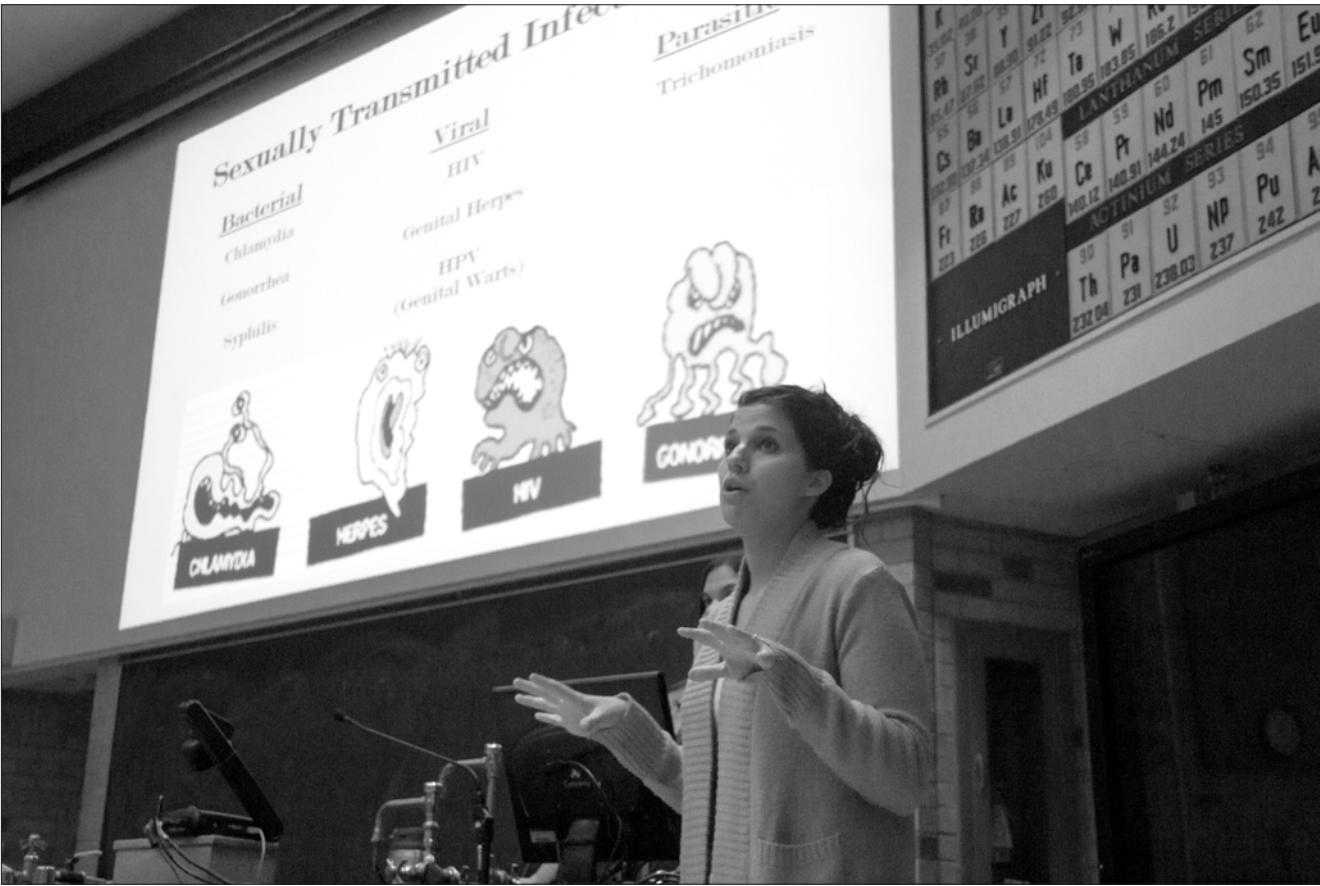
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Melany Zwilling, a graduate student in the counseling department and the Sexual Health Promotion Coordinator at the HERC, explains to students the difference between bacterial and parasitic STIs during the “Sex and Booze: Six Pack Series #3” on Wednesday at Phipps Auditorium in the Physical Science Building. The Six Pack Series is a program designed with six different topics all for educating students about alcohol. Brittany Floyd, a graduate student in the family and consumer sciences department and the Health Promotion Coordinator, said, “Tonight, we’re incorporating sexual health and alcohol safety. We want to help Eastern students make healthier and wiser decisions.”

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According to the EIU Panthers website, Eastern selected the Panthers as its mascot in the 1930s at a time when only seven other schools used it. Now, 29 colleges and universities in the country iden-

tify as the Panthers. Michael said the new logo will appeal to the 17-year-old age group and thus help with recruitment along with creating a cohesive look for all athletic teams. He also said this will estab-

lish a brand for Eastern athletics that will be consistent and recognizable outside of the university. “The visual images that are part of the logo helps define our department’s programs and teams,” Michael

said. “You need to be recognized by your logo, and this definitely will help with recruiting.”

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The New York Times
Crossword

Edited by Will Shortz No. 0903

THE GODS MUST BE CRAZY

In honor of the late, beloved crossword constructor Merl Reagle, today we present a classic puzzle of his from the 1999 American Crossword Puzzle Tournament.

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15 Greek goddess of learning?

16 Greek goddess of communication?

17 Slogging areas

18 “You want to go _____?”

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21 23-Across and others

22 Wear away

23 Slugger’s first name

25 Young ‘un

26 Does a number on

27 Greek god of fertility?

31 Greek goddess of messages?

33 Used bookstore containers

34 Pep rally cry

35 Catch some rays

36 Bumpy

38 Sicilian’s millions

39 Key to understanding the theme of this puzzle

43 Title villain of a “Star Trek” film

44 May, for one

45 Peeping _____

46 1940s war zone: Abbr.

47 Prepares to fire

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53 Greek god of electricity?

55 Actor Ryan

56 Hit bonus, for short

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2 Silver streaks

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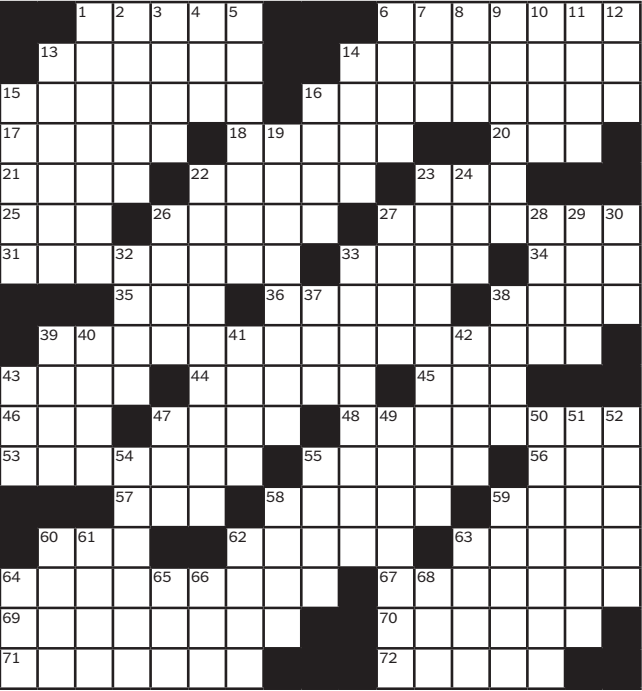
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29 Get through work

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32 Where to see “Outside the Lines”

33 America’s only bachelor president

37 Province opp. Detroit

38 Life’s partner

39 Baba au _____

40 Tombstone lawman

41 Club aliases, for short

42 Work hard

43 Mauna _____

47 “Facts _____ facts”

49 Moriarty, to Holmes

50 Wrinkle removers

51 You can count on it

52 “Boxcars”

54 Performer of a banishing act

55 “To Spring” and others

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Men’s soccer team looking to turn season around

By Maher Kawash
Staff reporter|@DEN_Sports

Coming off a season where the Eastern Illinois men’s soccer team won just three games, the team had a chip on its shoulder to become a more competitive team this season. But this season has been more of the same.

Things have not particularly gone as planned for the Panthers as they hold a .222 win percentage with a 2-7 record on the year.

“We believe that we could have won three of our last five games against Oral Roberts, NIU, and Wright state,” sophomore forward Justin Oliver said. “We’ve just been struggling to find the back of the net, but the chances have been there.”

The team started the season on the right note as they began the year at 2-2, but have since then fallen into a cold streak of losing five straight games.

This is something the team is all too familiar with as the members began last year similarly by winning their second game early in September, but went on to lose 11 of their last 13 games.

“Unfortunately, rough patches are one of those things you kind of have to prepare for and adjust to,”

senior captain Kyle Callender said. “Don’t get me wrong we all want to win, but our team is on a different schedule than everyone else.”

This season was supposed to be different with many freshman coming on board, and with the tactical strategies of first year head coach Kiki Lara.

With that being said, the team has certainly had some bright spots on the year as they continue to rebuild.

Sophomore forwards Justin Oliver and Tyler Oliver have emerged as key parts of the team’s success as they have both scored or assisted on a goal in both of the team’s wins this season.

This Panthers squad is loaded with young talent, and many underclassmen on the team are stepping into key moments of the game throughout the year.

Lara has stressed to his team that winning will not come easy, especially at this level of Division-1 soccer.

“We just need to stay steady,” Lara said.

Although, the Panthers are enduring a rough losing streak right now, it is clear that their confidence is still there.

“We are confident with our progress up until now, and are just

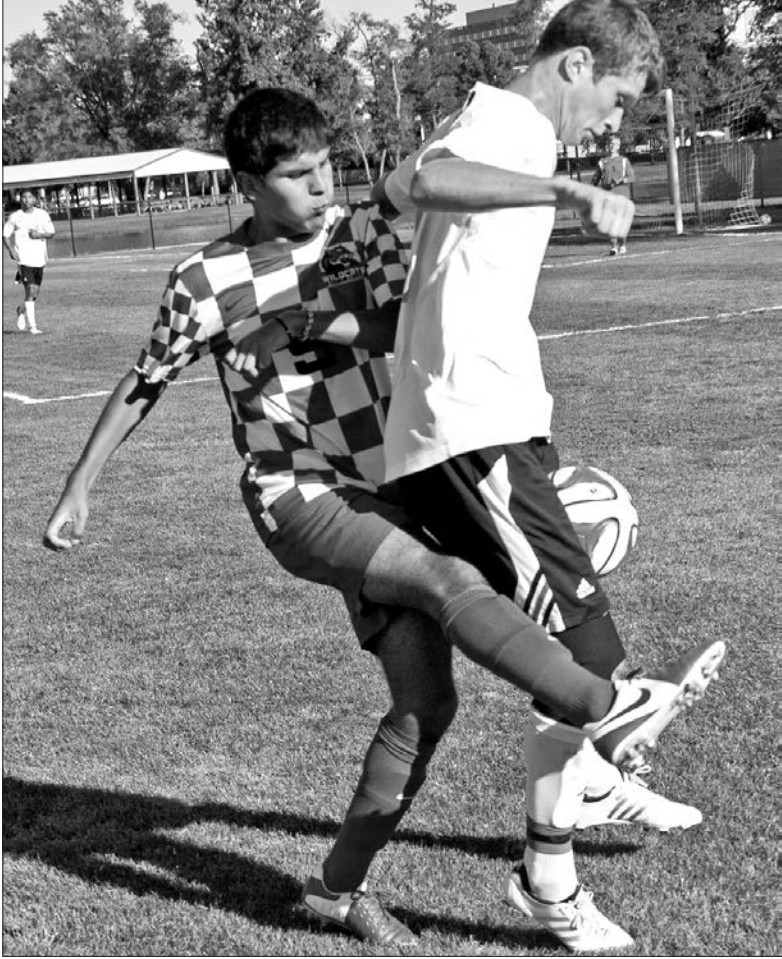
“We believe in ourselves, and our system, and if we keep improving the results will start to come too.”

- Kyle Callender
Senior captain

trying to improve every day,” Callender said. “We believe in ourselves, and our system, and if we keep improving the results will start to come too.”

The Panthers will attempt to end this losing streak, as well as earn their first conference win of the season when they take on IPFW in Fort Wayne, Ind. on Saturday.

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FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS
Sophomore midfielder Ben Stone attempts to maintain ball possession during a match against Culver-Stockton on Sept. 8, 2014 at Lakeside Field.

Men’s basketball team to broadcast games on CBS

Staff Report | @DENSports

The Ohio Valley Conference announced a slate of seven conference men’s basketball games that will air on CBS Sports Network this season.

As part of the seven-game package the Eastern men’s basketball team will have two games carried on the channel.

Eastern will host Eastern Kentucky Jan. 14 at 8 p.m., which will be broadcasted on CBS Sports Network.

Also, the Panthers will play the final regular season game on CBS Sports Network as they host Murray State on Feb. 25 with a tip-off time of 8:30 pm.

The Panthers hosted the Racers last season at Lantz Arena on CBS Sports Network.

As announced earlier last week, the Panthers will be playing two games on the American Sports Network.

Eastern will host Southeast Missouri on Feb. 6 at 11 a.m. and Austin Peay on Feb. 10 at 8 p.m.

This will be the third time the OVC has aired games on the CBS Sports Network and second consecutive year the package has included seven total games.

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Women’s tennis team heads for tough test in Carbondale

By Bob Reynolds
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The Eastern women’s tennis team is hoping to improve on its fall season as it heads to Carbondale for the Southern Illinois Fall Tournament.

The Panthers will play against athletes from Arkansas State, Southern Illinois Edwardsville and host Southern Illinois Carbondale.

Eastern has had at least one player pick up a win so far this season.

Senior Ali Foster is continuing her hot stretch from last season as she is 3-2 this season in singles matches.

She was the only Panther to defeat her opponent in the match

against St. Louis.

Sophomore Grace Summers leads the Panthers with a 4-1 record in singles play after going undefeated in both of her previous matches.

The previous matches were against St. Louis and Murray State.

Summers and her senior partner Hannah Kimbrough went undefeated in doubles play.

Summers and Kimbrough were the only two to pick up wins in their two dual meets.

Freshman Abby Carpenter has won two of her three matches played so far this season.

Fellow freshman Srishti Slaria also has a 2-1 singles record.

Her and her partner Kamile Stadalninkaite finished doubles

with a 2-1 record at the SIU-Edwardsville Invite.

This will be the second time the Panthers face the Cougars after losing the match to the Cougars at the SIUE Invite.

Eastern also lost to Carbondale in February and suffered a 5-2 loss.

Eastern has not faced Arkansas State since 2004.

However, the Panthers will play Arkansas State in the spring season as well.

The tournament will start at 9:45 a.m. and will continue throughout the day.

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Senior quarterback Jalen Whitlow was 10-19 in passing and ran for six yards during the Panthers' 41-0 defeat by Northwestern on Sept. 12 at Ryan Field in Evanston.

Whitlow dominates virtual football field

By Blake Nash
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When Eastern senior quarterback Jalen Whitlow envisions his future visits to Eastern, he relates to a character from one of his favorite movies, "Paid in Full." The character, Rico, is about to be incarcerated by tells everybody in an interview that when he comes back he will still be king.

"That's how I feel it's going to be when I come back and visit EIU," Whitlow said. "I'm going to play some people I used to play, and I'll still be king."

But Whitlow is not talking about football, the real one anyway. Whitlow has become the king of "Madden" football, and is so talented at it that some of his friends and teammates have quit playing the video game against him.

Red-shirt junior running back

Devin Church recently played Whitlow for the first time, and was defeated by the All-"Madden" veteran. Church said he was frustrated following the loss and did not talk to Whitlow the rest of the day, but they reunited and shook hands the next day.

"He's the king around here," Church said. "He's won a lot of games and people say he's one of the best."

Whitlow began playing "Madden" as a kid, which is around the time he started to understand the different defensive coverages and offensive concepts. It may just be for fun and enjoyment, but Whitlow said people can learn a lot from just playing the video game.

"When I was a kid playing 'Madden' that's how I found out what Cover 2 and Cover 4 were," Whitlow said. "It helps you understand defenses more."

Teammates are not his only oppo-

nents. Whitlow competes with friends from back home in Alabama in on-line matchups and admitted that they have been able to beat him a few times. But Whitlow has beaten them a little more than a few times on any system, particularly PlayStation 4.

"Right now I'm playing PS4, but I can play it on X-Box and 360 too," Whitlow said. "I can play it on any system: Sega Dreamcast, Gameboy Color Advance, all that it's what I do."

Besides helping decipher coverages, Whitlow has also used the game to create more chemistry with his teammates, Church in particular. Church feels that he can always be honest with Whitlow about anything.

"I think the chemistry that we've got helps us out here on the field," Church said. "I can ask Jalen anything on the field, and he'd just tell me to 'go with it.'"

In their lone "Madden" matchup, Church played as his hometown NFL team, the Detroit Lions.

While Whitlow does not remember which team he was, he said that he can win with any team at his disposal.

"I've played with pretty much everybody, from the Vikings to the Bills to the Steelers to the Ravens," Whitlow said. "I'm a 'Madden' connoisseur."

Whitlow said he typically plays his friends a couple of times a week, but finds even more time when the Eastern football team's season is over with. During his offseason days as a child, Whitlow created himself as a player, and said that he was still a tough challenge to defeat.

"He was a creative player. Everything was 99 on the skill set," Whitlow said. "The sliders were always up, so he just did his thing."

But there might be at least one person who can defeat Whitlow at his best. Red-shirt defensive back Antoine Johnson also has a knack for Madden, Church said. While whitlow has not played Johnson yet, Church said he knows who he will take in that matchup, noting that Whitlow is "one of the best."

"I wouldn't say (Whitlow's) 'the' best, but one of the best," Church said. "But I think I'd have my money on 'Toine.'"

With four more home games left in the regular season, the Eastern community may need to witness another matchup this fall, Antoine Johnson vs Jalen "The King" Whitlow, in a battle for the university's "Madden" title.

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Wolf, Lyon nominated for weekly awards

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Eastern junior women's soccer defender Emily Wolf and freshman goalkeeper Maddie Lyon were nominated for Player of the Week awards by the Ohio Valley Conference Tuesday.

Wolf was nominated for Defensive Player of the Week, and Lyon was nominated for Goalkeeper of the Week.

Wolf was one of three Panthers who did not come off the field over the two matches during the weekend. She had the assist on the Panthers goal against Belmont.

This season, Wolf has played in all 13 games for Eastern and has one assist on the season and give shots on goal.

Lyon allowed just two goals and made 10 saves over 203 minutes of action over the weekend.

She also earned the shutout in the scoreless draw with Jacksonville State.

She leads the Panthers with 1,050 minutes played this season in 11 games as a goalkeeper.

She has allowed 25 goals and made 83 saves. She also has two shut outs this season.

Senior Taylor Stevens from Mur-

ray State won the Defensive Player of the week after being apart of a defense that did not allow a single corner kick in the win over Tennessee-Martin.

Her team also limited Southeast Missouri to six total shots in the Racers victory.

She also scored a game in each of the two matches played over the weekend.

Her team is 3-0 in conference thus far, and it is the first time that Murray State has started OVC play with that record.

Caroline Robinson won Goalkeeper of the Week this week after recording a pair of shutouts on the road with a 1-0 double overtime win at Southern Illinois Edwardsville.

She also was part of the scoreless draw between Jacksonville State and Eastern.

The senior from Jacksonville State stopped six shots against the Cougars and had two saves against Eastern.

She now has four shutouts on the season.

McKenzie Dixon scored three goals to lead Austin Peay to two wins over the weekend, earning her Co-Offensive Player of the Week. She scored the game winners in both matches.

The freshman scored the game-winner in the 59th minute.



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Freshman Kate Olson runs alongside IPFW's Paityn Fleming during the Panthers' 3-1 victory on Sept. 4 at Lakeside Field.

She then scored a goal in the 72nd minute against Tennessee-Martin. She has eight goals on the season.

Taylor Richerson from Murray State had two assists in the win over Tennessee Martin.

She followed that up with a pair of goals in the victory against Southeast Missouri. She had eight shots over the two matches, six of which were on goal.

Eastern will host Tennessee Tech

and Morehead State Friday and Sunday, respectively.

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